

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY SEATTLE DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS P.O. BOX 3755 SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 98124-3755

JAN 14 2003

Regulatory Branch

Ash Grove Cement Company 3801 East Marginal Way South Seattle, Washington 98134

Reference:

2001-1-00155

Ash Grove Cement Company

Ladies and Gentlemen:

Enclosed for your signature are Department of the Army permit forms for maintenance dredging of 3,600 cubic yards of spilled sand, gravel, and limestone material over a period of 10 years, at the Ash Grove Cement Company barge unloading berth (to recover materials spilled during the barge transfer and unloading process for reuse in the applicant's cement manufacture and to restore channel depth at the barge unloading berth to improve navigation and safety) in the Lower Duwamish Waterway, on the East bank, at 3801 East Marginal Way South, at Seattle, Washington as described in the enclosed drawings. Six hundred cubic yards will be dredged initially and 600 cubic yards dredged every 2 years thereafter for 5 additional dredging cycles for a total dredge volume of 3,600 cubic yards. Dredging will be by 4-foot clamshell bucket and would be limited to recently deposited spilled material. Dredged material would be dewatered on the barge. The barge will be towed to another site on the Duwamish waterway, where it will be off-loaded by loader into trucks. The material will be delivered by truck to the cement facility and reused in the facility's cement manufacturing process. Proposed dredge depth would be -25 feet Mean Lower Low Water. A 1-foot buffer of the spilled material would be left in place over the native sediment surface, as required by the Dredged Material Management Program agencies' dredging approval.

Before signing, you should be aware that the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) began a new appeals process for our Regulatory program on March 9, 1999. For more information, on how it may apply to your project, see enclosure 2. To begin this appeal process, your completed Notice of Administrative Appeal Options and Process and Request for Appeal (NAO-RFA) form objecting to the permit and/or conditions along with both permit forms must be returned to us within 60 days from the date of this letter. Please be advised that the special condition requiring you to implement the reasonable and prudent measures under the Endangered Species Act is not appealable.



If the entire permit is acceptable, you must sign and date both forms and return them to us with your check in the amount of \$100, made payable to the FAO, USAED, Seattle. Your copy of the fully executed permit will then be returned to you. The signed permit forms must be returned to us within 90 days from the date of this letter or your application will be canceled.

You cannot modify these permit forms or their accompanying drawings. By signing the forms you will be indicating your acceptance of all the permit's general and special conditions. Please read them carefully.

You can begin the work authorized by this permit only after you have received your copy of the fully executed permit form.

Sincerely,

FW Thomas F. Mueller Chief, Regulatory Branch

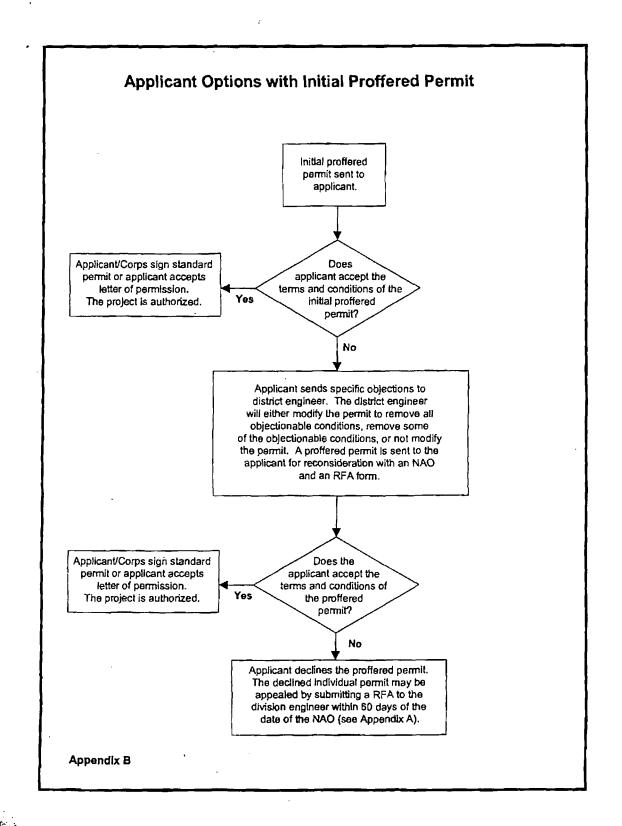
Enclosures

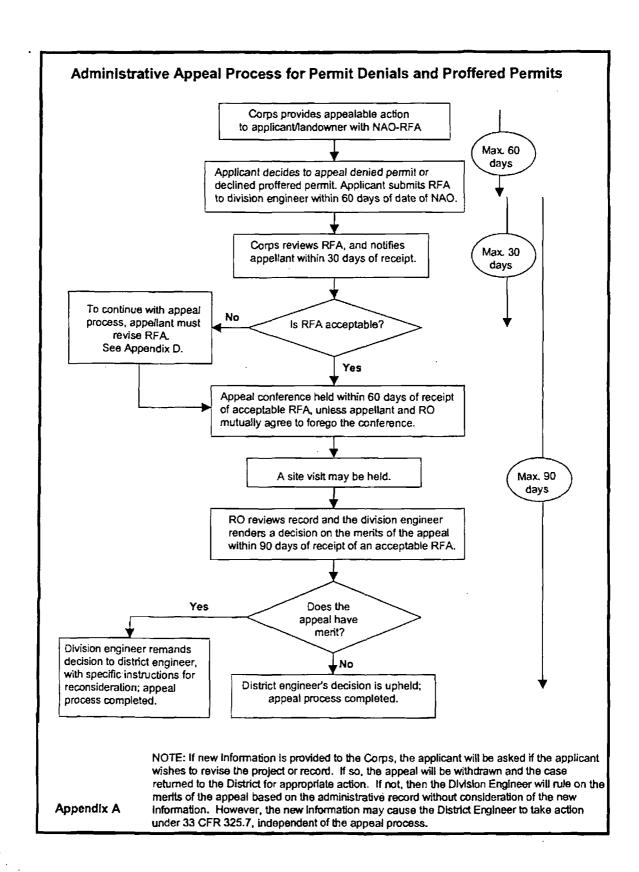
- 1. Permit (dupe)
- 2. Notice of Appeals Process
- 3. Envelope

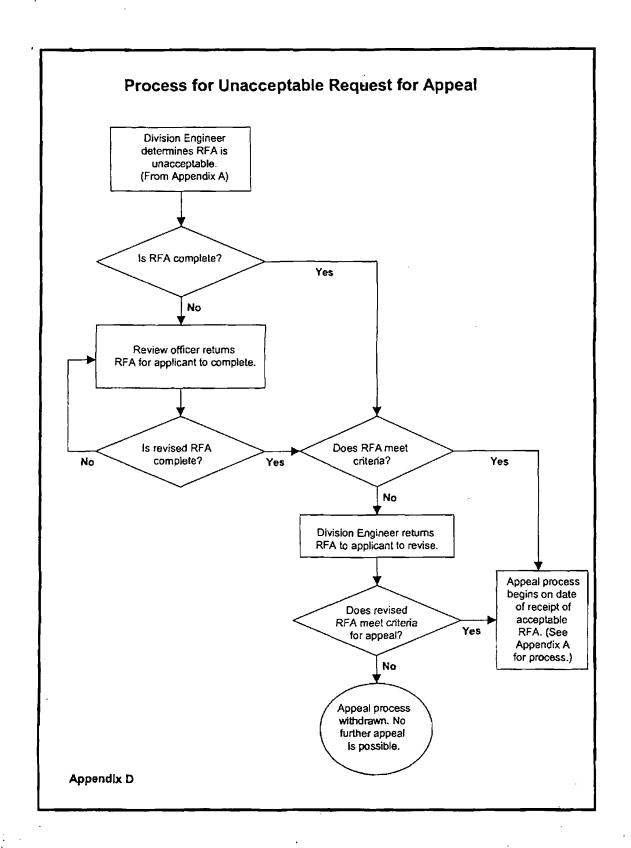
| Applicant: Ash Grove Cement | | File Number: 2001-1-00155 | Date:JAN 14 2003 |
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| Attached is: | | See Section below | |
| | INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT (Standard Permit or Letter of permission) | | A |
| X | PROFFERED PERMIT (Standard Permit or Letter of permission) | | В |
| | PERMIT DENIAL | | C |
| | APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION | | D |
| | PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETE | RMINATION | E |

SECTION I. The following adequifies your rights and options regarding at additions or institute appeal of the above seconom. Additional information may be found a high coming amoy mit/met/functions ov/osever/ase to Come regulations at 12 CHR Part 134.

- A: INITIAL PROFFERED PERMIT: You may accept or object to the permit.
- ACCEPT: If you received a Standard Permit, you may sign the permit document and return it to the district engineer for final
 authorization. If you received a Letter of Permission (LOP), you may accept the LOP and your work is authorized. Your
 signature on the Standard Permit or acceptance of the LOP means that you accept the permit in its entirety, and waive all rights
 to appeal the permit, including its terms and conditions, and approved jurisdictional determinations associated with the permit.
- OBJECT: If you object to the permit (Standard or LOP) because of certain terms and conditions therein, you may request that the permit be modified accordingly. You must complete Section II of this form and return the form to the district engineer. Your objections must be received by the district engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice, or you will forfeit your right to appeal the permit in the future. Upon receipt of your letter, the district engineer will evaluate your objections and may: (a) modify the permit to address all of your concerns, (b) modify the permit to address some of your objections, or (c) not modify the permit having determined that the permit should be issued as previously written. After evaluating your objections, the district engineer will send you a proffered permit for your reconsideration, as indicated in Section B below.
- B: PROFFERED PERMIT: You may accept or appeal the permit
- ACCEPT: If you received a Standard Permit, you may sign the permit document and return it to the district engineer for final
 authorization. If you received a Letter of Permission (LOP), you may accept the LOP and your work is authorized. Your
 signature on the Standard Permit or acceptance of the LOP means that you accept the permit in its entirety, and waive all rights
 to appeal the permit, including its terms and conditions, and approved jurisdictional determinations associated with the permit.
- APPEAL: If you choose to decline the proffered permit (Standard or LOP) because of certain terms and conditions therein, you
 may appeal the declined permit under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this
 form and sending the form to the division engineer. This form must be received by the division engineer within 60 days of the
 date of this notice.
- C: PERMIT DENIAL: You may appeal the denial of a permit under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this form and sending the form to the division engineer. This form must be received by the division engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.
- D: APPROVED JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION: You may accept or appeal the approved JD or provide new information.
- ACCEPT: You do not need to notify the Corps to accept an approved ID. Failure to notify the Corps within 60 days of the date of this notice, means that you accept the approved JD in its entirety, and waive all rights to appeal the approved JD.
- APPEAL: If you disagree with the approved JD, you may appeal the approved JD under the Corps of Engineers Administrative Appeal Process by completing Section II of this form and sending the form to the division engineer. This form must be received by the division engineer within 60 days of the date of this notice.
- E: PRELIMINARY JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION: You do not need to respond to the Corps regarding the preliminary JD. The Preliminary JD is not appealable. If you wish, you may request an approved JD (which may be appealed), by contacting the Corps district for further instruction. Also, you may provide new information for further consideration by the Corps to reevaluate the JD.









CERTIFICATE OF COMPLIANCE WITH DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY PERMIT



| Permit ! | Number: | 2001-1-00155 | |
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| Name o | of Permittee: | Ash Grove Cement Company | |
| Date of | Issuance: | JAN 15 2003 | |
| | | ne activity authorized by this permit, please check the applicable certification, and return it to the following address: | |
| | U.S. Seatt Post | ortment of the Army Army Corps of Engineers le District, Regulatory Branch Office Box 3755 le, Washington 98125-3755 | |
| U.S. Ar | my Corps of E ons of your aut | permitted activity is subject to a compliance inspection by a ingineers representative. If you fail to comply with the terms and horization, your project is subject to suspension, modification, or | |
| | The work authorized by the above-referenced permit has been completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of this permit. | | |
| | | nitigation required (not including monitoring) by the above-referenced it has been completed in accordance with the terms and conditions of termit. | |
| | | Signature of Permittee | |
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